



***Town of Tyngsborough Community Preservation
Committee***

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**Meeting Minutes February 05, 2009
Members Attendance:**

Present: Linda Geyer (LG), Warren Allgrove (WA), Eric Lantz (EL), Ken Times (KT), Mark Rohrbaugh (MR), Ed Smith (ES), Rich Lemoine (RL)

Absent: Christine Chisholm (CC), Jim Miller (JM)

Guests: Alison McNamara (Recreational Director) (AM), Rosemary Cashman (Town Administrator) (RC), George Trearchis (Recreation Committee) (GT)

Meeting Location: Town Hall, Community Room

Chairperson, Linda Geyer, called the February 5, 2009 meeting of the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) to order at 7:05PM.

Agenda Item 1 – Warrant Article #9, Reserves allocation.

1. (LG) – Article #9, \$53,231 Reserves for the CPC. **Motion by (KT) second (ES), I move that the CPC recommend to town meeting that the CPC appropriate to Open Space reserve, \$5,400, Historic reserve \$5,400 and Affordable Housing Reserve \$5,400 plus \$37,031 budgeted reserve for a total of \$53,231 to reserves. All in Favor.**

Agenda Item 2 – Warrant Article #10, Recreational Fields Elementary School.

1. (AM) – Elementary school field proposal. We have 4 proposals with different costs depending on what we want to do. We had 13 bids come in which ranged substantially. (LG) – I have broken down the bids on a spread sheet and distributed it to the committee. (ES) – I have concerns about sink holes. (GT) – We are mostly comfortable that the soil has settled over the last six years. We are happy with the Green Acres Landscape Companies reputation and the overseeing Engineering Firm has confidence in them as well. Estimates for water costs yearly would be about \$15,000. An additional \$20,000 for seeding and fertilization and additional costs for mowing and other maintenance would be required. The Youth sports groups in town have pledged to take care of this cost on an on going basis. June to September is the projected dates for construction. (LG) – After the passing the articles for the former campground the town center marketing plan and the demolition of the Shur-Fine, we have left \$250,000 on hand for expenditure on athletic fields. We can consider a long or short term loan to help with the field creation. (AM) - We have a serious commitment from the families in town to maintain and create fields. Soccer, Lacrosse, Football and Baseball all have strong organizations and are willing to bear the costs of maintenance and other purchases through user fees. We are starving for fields! Please help us keep our youth leagues grow and thrive. We need these fields desperately to help our youth. The high school tennis team currently plays at the Vocational school. We have adults that are also looking for activities.

Motion (RL), 2nd (MR) : I move that the CPC recommend to town meeting that the sum of \$1,261,932 is appropriated to pay for the costs for the creation of recreational playing fields, tennis courts, a basketball court, walkways and parking areas at the Tyngsborough Elementary School, including the payment of any and all costs incidental thereto, to be Expended by the Board of Selectmen, and that to meet this appropriation the sum of \$220,066 in monies to be allocated from existing Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve, and further that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$1,041,866 under and pursuant to chapter 44, Sections 7(23) and 7(25) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore. In Favor RL, MR, EL, LG, ES, WA. Opposed, KT.

Agenda Item 3 – Article 11, Campground

1. (RC) – We have had the consultant revisit the area using the existing access. We have limited the improvements to provide limited expenditure. Maintenance will be paid for by the town.

Motion (WA) 2nd (ES) – I move that the CPC recommend to town meeting that the CPC appropriate by transfer from existing Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve \$183,600 in addition to Open Space reserve of \$26,400, and/or borrow a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the creation of a park at 76 and 86 Frost Road, of which 76 Frost Road has been previously known as the Tyngsborough Campgrounds, or take any other action relative thereto. In Favor RL, LG, ES, MR, EL, WA. Abstain – KT.

Agenda Item 4 – Article 12, Town Center

1. **Motion (KT) 2nd (ES) – I move that the CPC recommend to town meeting that the CPC appropriate by transfer from Open Space reserve, \$45,000, Historic reserve \$45,000 and Affordable Housing Reserve \$45,000 and/or borrow a sum of money for a total of \$135,000 to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the demolition of a portion of the former Shur Fine market building in the Town center and any related costs, or take any other action relative thereto. In Favor RL, KT, LG, ES, MR, EL, WA.**

Agenda Item 5 – Article 13, Town Center

1. **Motion (MR) 2nd (ES) – I move that the CPC recommend to town meeting that the CPC appropriate by transfer from Open Space reserve \$10,000, Historic reserve \$10,000 and Affordable Housing Reserve \$10,000 and/or borrow a sum of money for a total of \$30,000 to be expended by the Board of Selectmen and the Economic Development Committee for a market analysis of the Town center and any related costs, or take any other action relative thereto. In Favor RL, KT, LG, ES, MR, EL, WA.**

Motion to adjourn by (KT), 2nd (MR) 9:45 PM. Voice vote: passed unanimously.

Next scheduled meeting of the CPC is for February 25th at 7:00pm at the Town Hall.